

AGENDA:

CATEGORY:

July 13, 1999

Consent

DEPT.:

Public Works

TITLE:

Support for a High-Speed Rail Stop in San

Jose

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Mayor to send letters on behalf of the City Council to appropriate decision-making entities supporting a future high-speed rail stop in the City of San Jose.

FISCAL IMPACT—None.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

For several years, various route alignments for a Statewide high-speed rail network have been under study. Competition among cities along the proposed routes to have a stop in their jurisdiction has been intense. It was recently announced that the City of San Jose is one of the preferred stops for the planned system.

Over the next few weeks, various hearings and discussions about the proposed routes will take place in Sacramento and in other venues. To assure a stop in San Jose, it is important for cities and other interests in Santa Clara County to demonstrate support for both the rapid rail program and a stop in the City of San Jose. Authorizing the Mayor to send letters demonstrating the City of Mountain View's support will help further Santa Clara County's interests in the rapid rail program.

PUBLIC NOTICING—Agenda posting.

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